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In Re Application of: CONTORNI

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Title: LIQUID VACCINES FOR MULTIPLE
MENINGOCOCCAL SEROGROUPS

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Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, information relating to the above-identified application is hereby disclosed, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the references listed on Form PTO/SB/08, submitted herewith.

Inclusion of the information submitted herewith is not to be construed as an admission that the information is material as that term is defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed:

- ☐ within three months of the filing date of the patent application.
- ☐ within three months of the date of entry into the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 of the international application.

- ☒ **before** the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.
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- ☐ the Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) (see "Statement" below);
- or**
- ☐ the Fee of \$180.00 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p); or
- ☐ No fee is owed by the applicant(s).
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- ☒ Copies of each of the non-U.S. Patent documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 (3 sheets), are enclosed herewith.

EXCEPT THAT:

- ☐ In view of the voluminous nature of reference @@@, and the likelihood that this reference is available to the Examiner, copies are not enclosed herewith.
- ☐ In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the following references listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 are not enclosed herewith because they were previously cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in patent application(s) for which a claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 have been made in the instant application.

- ☐ If any of the foregoing publications are not available to the Examiner, Applicant will endeavor to supply copies at the Examiner's request.

Concise Explanation Requirement

- ☐ The "concise explanation" requirement (non-English references) for reference B2 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) is satisfied by:
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 - ☐ the English-language abstract provided on the cover page of B2.

Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

- ☐ The undersigned attorney hereby states that each item contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign patent application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Fees


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